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#### **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Sir,

This is in response to the Office Action mailed 09/20/2005, in which: (1) the drawings were objected to (for lacking a "Prior Art" indication on some drawings); (2) claims 1-2, 6-8, and 10-12 were rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as anticipated by US Patent No. 3,430,803 to Nelson; (3) claims 5 and 9 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as unpatentable over Nelson in view of US Patent No. 2,826,346 to Randall; (4) claims 1-5, 8-9, and 12-14 were rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as anticipated by Randall; (5) claims 1-2, 4-5, 8-9, and 12-14 were rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as anticipated by US Patent No. 2,007,523 to Emery or US Patent No. 1,873,120 to Hall; (6) claims 6-7 and 10-11 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as unpatentable over either Emery or Hall. Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing which begins on page 3 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.